



State Interoperability Executive Committee

Member Organizations

- Commonwealth Interoperability Coordinator's Office
- Office of Commonwealth Preparedness
- Office of the Secretary of Public Safety
- Office of the Secretary of Technology
- Statewide Agencies Radio System
- Representatives from the seven Regional Preparedness Advisory Committees for Interoperability
- VA Association of Chiefs of Police
- VA Association of Counties
- VA Association of Governmental EMS Administrators
- VA Association of Public Safety Communication Officials
- VA Department of Criminal Justice Services
- VA Department of Emergency Management
- VA Department of Military Affairs
- VA Department of State Police
- VA Department of Transportation
- VA Emergency Managers Association
- VA Fire Chiefs Association
- VA Information Technologies Agency
- VA Military Advisory Committee
- VA Municipal League
- VA Office of Emergency Medical Services
- VA Professional Fire Fighters
- VA Sheriffs' Association
- VA State Firefighter's Association

The members of the State Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) provide recommendations to the Commonwealth to determine statewide priorities related to interoperable communications. As a practitioner based steering group, the SIEC is made up of members from key organizations representing the first responder community, localities, and state agencies. Individual representatives were selected based on their technical and public safety knowledge which brings years of experience to this level of governance.

Some of the main responsibilities of the SIEC members are to assist the Commonwealth Interoperability Coordinator by:

1. Conducting an annual review and update of the Statewide Plan
2. Implementing the initiatives contained in the Statewide Plan
3. Developing formal recommendations to the Commonwealth Preparedness Working Group, the Secure Commonwealth Panel, and the Governor on the use of interoperability grants to support local, regional, and state voice and data projects
4. Reviewing most communications-related grant requests from state agencies and localities

SIEC members also serve on one of three Standing Subcommittees (Operations, Policy, or Technical) in order to complete tasks that require research, discussion and project management of tactical teams that have the correct level of expertise and adequate time and resources to accomplish each task. By participating on these Subcommittees and the SIEC, members play an integral role in improving the ability of Virginia's public safety practitioners to talk with one another.

The Commonwealth Strategic Plan for Statewide Interoperable Communications

The Statewide Plan is the guiding document for all interoperable communications activities. Virginia Code mandates the annual update of the Plan and statewide compliance to the Plan by 2015. The CICO provides oversight for the update of the plan by facilitating key stakeholder sessions and for the implementation of the plan by setting up and providing a liaison to specialized working groups, committees, and initiative action teams.

